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SENATE FILE 228
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1118)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the use of moneys in the anatomical gift
- 2 public awareness and transplantation fund.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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      Section 1. Section 142C.15, subsection 4, paragraph c,
 2 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2015, is amended to read as
 3 follows:
      Not more than fifty percent of the Any unobligated moneys
 5 in the fund annually may be expended in the form of grants to
 6 transplant recipients, transplant candidates, living organ
 7 donors, or to legal representatives on behalf of transplant
 8 recipients, transplant candidates, or living organ donors.
 9 Transplant recipients, transplant candidates, living organ
10 donors, or the legal representatives of transplant recipients,
11 transplant candidates, or living organ donors shall submit
12 grant applications with supporting documentation provided
13 by a hospital that performs transplants, verifying that the
14 person by or for whom the application is submitted requires a
15 transplant or is a living organ donor and specifying the amount
16 of the costs associated with the following, if funds are not
17 available from any other third-party payor:
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                               EXPLANATION
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           The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
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            the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
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21 This bill provides that instead of a limitation of not more 22 than 50 percent, any unobligated moneys in the anatomical 23 gift public awareness and transplantation fund, annually, may 24 be expended in the form of grants to transplant recipients, 25 transplant candidates, or living organ donors, or to legal 26 representatives on behalf of transplant recipients, transplant 27 candidates, or living organ donors. Such grants are based on 28 grant applications submitted with supporting documentation 29 provided by a hospital that performs transplants, verifying 30 that the person by or for whom the application is submitted 31 requires a transplant or is a living organ donor and specifying 32 the amount of the costs associated with the costs of the organ 33 transplantation procedure, the costs of post-transplantation 34 drug or other therapy, and other transplantation costs 35 including but not limited to food, lodging, and transportation,

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- 1 if funds are not available from any other third-party payor.
- 2 Under current law, not more than 5 percent of the moneys in
- 3 the fund may be used by the Iowa department of public health
- 4 for administrative costs and of the remaining moneys in the
- 5 fund, not more than 20 percent annually may be expended in
- 6 the form of grants to state agencies or to nonprofit legal
- 7 entities with an interest in anatomical gift public awareness
- 8 and transplantation to conduct public awareness projects; and
- 9 not more than 30 percent annually may be expended in the form
- 10 of grants to hospitals for reimbursement for costs directly
- 11 related to the development of in-hospital anatomical gift
- 12 public awareness projects, anatomical gift referral protocols,
- 13 and associated administrative expenses.